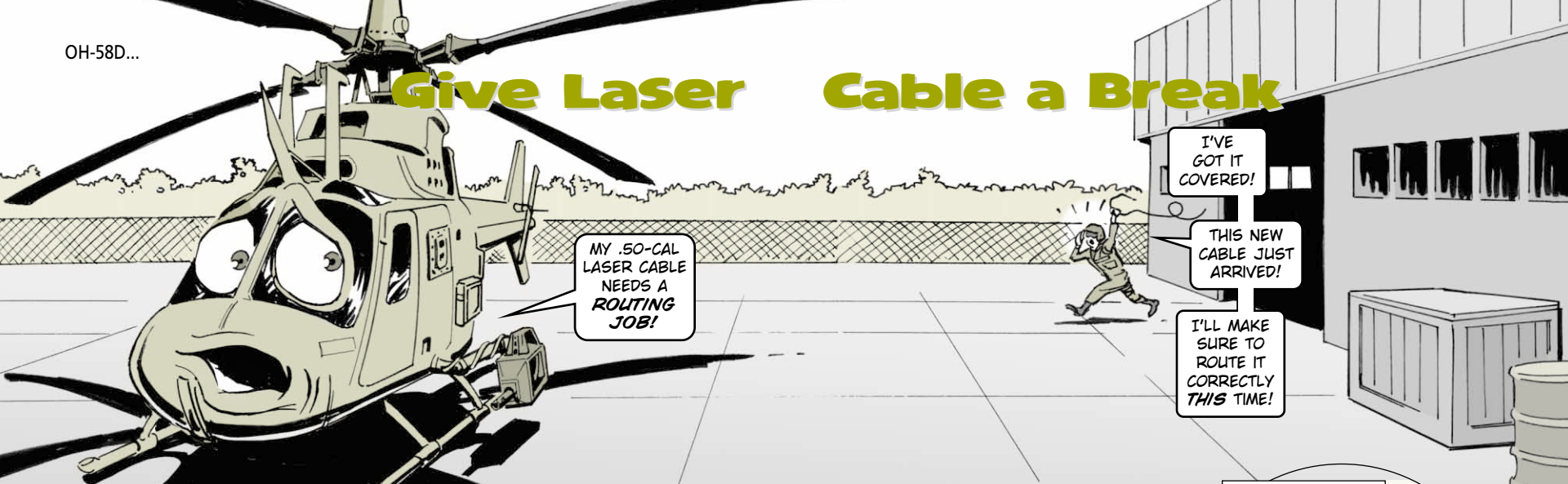


Give Laser Cable a Break



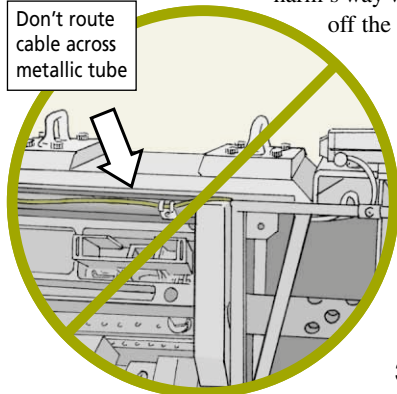
Armorers, you no longer have to make your own AIM-1 laser cable for the Kiowa Warrior's M296 .50-cal machine gun. A ready-made cable, NSN 6150-01-463-6570, is now available. It is Item 12 in Fig C-35 of TM 9-1090-214-23&P.

Now all you have to do is protect whichever cable you use. Do that by routing it inside the cage, along the gun charger harness assembly.

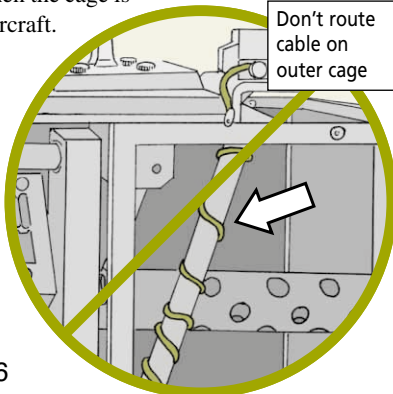
Homemade cables are often made too long. If you've still got your homemade cable and it's routed differently than the TM shows in Fig C-35, just re-route it. If the length makes it hard to get it all inside the cage, use the wire ties shown as Item 13 in Fig C-35. If you've run it underneath the gun, looped it up the side, or across the metallic tube of the cage or anywhere outside the cage—you've put the cable in

harm's way when the cage is off the aircraft.

Don't route cable across metallic tube



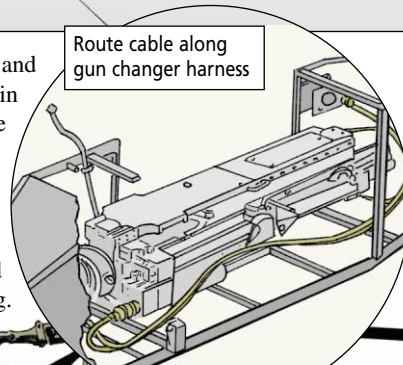
Don't route cable on outer cage



The cable is especially prone to snags and breaks. When you haul the cage around in a vehicle, for instance, the weight of the cage can pinch, crush or damage the long laser cable if it's not tied off.

To make matters worse, when you toss in flight vests and other gear, the cable gets tangled in the equipment and snags or breaks when you start unloading.

Route cable along gun charger harness



GIVE YOURSELF A **BREAK** FROM MAKING LASER CABLES...

...AND AVOID ALL THE **BREAKS, SNAGS AND ENTANGLEMENTS** FROM CLUTTER.

